
EXPLANATORY NOTE

(This note is not part of the Regulations)

The Regulations amend the Wireless Telegraphy (Exemption and Amendment) Regulations 2010 (the Principal Regulations). The Regulations exempt the establishment, installation and use of certain devices which comply with certain terms, provisions and limitations, from the requirement to be licensed under section 8(1) of the Wireless Telegraphy Act 2006 (c 36).

Regulation 3(2) revokes Regulation 4 of the Principal Regulations which exempted the use of railway level crossing radar (a safety device), subject to certain terms and limitations. Railway level crossing radar is now subject to licensing.

Regulation 3(3) amends Regulation 5 of the Principal Regulation which exempts the use of short-range devices, subject to certain terms and limitations. Regulation 5 is amended to extend the exemptions to give effect to Commission Decision 2018/1538 on the harmonisation of radio spectrum for use by short-range devices within the 874-876 and 915-921 MHz frequency bands and amends the Interface Requirements which are referred to in the 2010 Regulations. The Interface Requirements are published by Ofcom and available to the public on its official website at <https://www.ofcom.org.uk/> and from its library at Riverside House, 2a Southwark Bridge Road, London SE1 9HA.

A full regulatory impact assessment of the effect that these Regulations will have on cost to business is available to the public from OFCOM's website at <https://www.ofcom.org.uk/> or from the OFCOM library at Riverside House, 2a Southwark Bridge Road, London SE1 9HA. Copies of this assessment have also been placed in the library of the House of Commons.